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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Warren "Chip"
4 Johnson on his retirement as Darien School District #61 School
5 Superintendent; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson has spent his entire 41-year career in
7 District #61; during his tenure he served as a teacher for four
8 years, assistant principal for two years, principal for twelve
9 years, assistant superintendent for nine years, and has served
10 the last 15 years as school superintendent; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson oversaw the change of Eisenhower
12 Junior High from a 7-8th grade class building to a 6th, 7th,
13 and 8th grade class center and the creation of grade level
14 centers at DeLay and Lace Schools; he was responsible for the
15 creation of the full day kindergarten program, the first full
16 day kindergarten program in DuPage County, and the building of
17 additions at Eisenhower Junior High, DeLay, and Lace Schools;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, In addition, he oversaw the sale of Fairview
20 School to the Darien Park District and the sale of Marion Hills
21 School; and

1 WHEREAS, He is an active member of the Illinois Association
2 of School Administrators (IASA) and has held leadership roles
3 within the DuPage Division; he is a long standing member of the
4 Safety Village Governing Board; he has served as Executive
5 Director of the LaGrange Area Division of Special Education
6 (LADSE); and he is responsible for the updated technology in
7 Darien District # 61 schools; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson was responsible for the creation of a
9 district administrative center in the Lace School building; he
10 is an active member of the Legislative Education Network of
11 DuPage (LEND) and the Education Research Development for
12 Legislation group in Illinois (EDRed), where he regularly met
13 With State legislators to discuss educational issues; he has
14 testified before the Illinois House and Senate on the behalf of
15 the children of Darien, Dupage County, and Illinois; and

16 WHEREAS, He is an active member of the Darien Area Public
17 Administrators Association (DAPA), and he has been an active
18 member for over 25 years in the Darien Lions; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
20 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
21 congratulate Mr. Johnson on his retirement and thank him for
22 his years of service to the children of Darien School District
23 #61; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Warren "Chip" Johnson as a symbol of our respect.